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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated December 16, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.